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For: MOVEMENT-SENSING APPARATUS FOR SOFTWARE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3 through 10 as follows:

3. (amended) Apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that  
the sensor includes a magnetic detector (23d) for placing on one  
side of the joint and a piece (22d) that is detectable by the  
detector (23d) and placed on the other side of the joint.

4. (amended) Apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that  
the sensor includes an air bag (220d) and a sensor (23d) responsive  
to a pressure increase that appears in said air bag (210d).

5. (amended) Apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that  
the sensor (20d, 20g, 40d, 40g) includes a mechanically-controlled  
switch (123d) for placing on a first side of the joint, and a  
projecting piece (122d) for placing on the opposite side of the  
joint and designed to constitute an abutment for said mechanically-  
controlled switch (123d).